



***Embassy of the United States of America
Madrid, Spain***

**Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Demonstrations
March 21, 2014**

DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED FOR MARCH 21 – 28, 2014.

Planned and spontaneous demonstrations take place in Spain, especially in Madrid and Barcelona, in response to economic or other events. If you encounter a large public gathering or demonstration, the U.S. Embassy suggests that you avoid the area. Even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational. U.S. citizens are therefore urged to avoid the areas of demonstrations if possible, and to exercise caution if within the vicinity of any demonstrations.

The Government Delegation in Madrid has authorized the following demonstrations.

DATE	DURATION	ORGANIZERS	PURPOSE OF PROTEST OR DEMONSTRATION	LOCATION
02/14/14	10:30 – 13:00	Sec. Sind. Ayto Madrid	Against social, labor cuts etc.	Alcalá 45, Pza Cibeles.
02/14/14	11:00 – 13.30	Cásbega Coca-Cola Fuenlabrada	Against the RIF in Coca-Cola	Serrano 75. (U.S. Embassy)
02/14/14	11:00 – 12:30	Sec. Sind Ayto Madrid	Against social, laboral cuts etc.	Pza de la Villa, Mayor, Bailén, Pza de la Villa
02/14/14	12:00 –13:00	Fed. servicios públicos UGT	Against cuts in public services etc.	Sevilla, Alcalá, Gran Vía, Sevilla.
02/14/14	12:00 – 17:00	Asoc. Coordinadora VHI - SIDA	Celebration of European sexual health day.	Puerta del Sol
02/15/14	10:00 - 11:30	Fundación Felix y Manalo	For the victims of the typhoon “Yolanda” in the Philippines.	Pza Oriente, Opera, Arenal, P. del Sol, Preciados, Callao, Gran Vía, Cibeles, Colón.
02/15/14	11:30 – 14:00	Fed. Agroalimentaria CCOO-FITAG UGT	To maintain the employment in Coca-Cola Co.	Glta Bilbao, Fuencarral, Gran Vía, Fuencarral, Montera.

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02/15/14	12:00 –14.30	Asoc. solidarias con el Sahara	To safeguard Saharans' human rights.	Pza de la Provincia (MFA)
02/15/14	17:00 – 19:00	Ivana Lazo	Against the rough handling of animals.	Cibeles, Alcalá, Puerta del Sol
02/15/14	17:30 – 19:30	Asoc. Hetaira	To defend the rights of "sex workers" etc.	Puerta del Sol, Montera, Gran Vía.
02/16/14	11:00 – 14.00	Asoc. Patriótica Ucranianos en España	Current situation in Ukraine.	Plaza de Colón
02/16/14	11:00 – 12:30	Asoc. - Pamac	Road safety policies (Motorcycle meeting).	Pza Ventas, Goya, Colón, Cibeles, Gran Vía, Pza España.....
02/16/14	11:30 – 15:00	Fed. Reg. Asoc. vecinales de Madrid	Against the dismantling & privatization of the Public Health System. (Thousands of demonstrators are expected)	Pza Neptuno, Cibeles, Alcalá, Puerta del Sol
02/18/14	11:30 – 12:30	Colectivo Mayores 15-M	Allowances issues	Puerta del Sol
02/20/14	11:00 – 13:30	Comp. Emp. Casbega-Fuenlabrada Coca - Cola	Against the RIF and Coca – Cola Plants closure	Puerta del Sol
02/20/14	13:30 – 14:30	Fed. Servicios ciudadanía	Against the RIF in Telemadrid	Pza Jacinto Benavente, Carretas, Puerta del Sol
02/20/14	19:00 – 20:00	Plat. contra la impunidad del Franquismo	Against Franco's impunity	Puerta del Sol
02/21/14	10:30 – 12:30	Sec. Sind Ayto Madrid	Against social, labor cuts etc.	Alcalá 45, Barquillo, Cibeles
02/21/14	11:00 – 12:30	Sec. Sind. Ayto Madrid	Against social, labor cuts etc.	Pza de la Villa, Mayor, Pza de la Villa.
02/21/14	12:00 – 13:00	Sec. Sind Ayto Madrid	Against cuts in Public Services	Sevilla, Alcalá, Gran Vía, Alcalá
02/21/14	13:00 – 14:00	Sind Trabajadores de Enseñanza - STEM	Against the abolition of the Educational Program "To improve fitness"	Paseo Recoletos 14 (Boulevard)

The U.S. Embassy encourages U.S. citizens to review "[A Safe Trip Abroad](#)," which includes valuable security information for those both living and traveling abroad. All U.S. citizens in Spain are urged to enroll online at the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](#) (STEP). Enrolling gives U.S. Citizens access to updated information on travel and security within Spain and makes it easier for the Embassy to contact citizens in case of emergency. You can also download our free [Smart Traveler iPhone App](#) to have travel information at your fingertips.

Current information on safety and security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States or a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444 for callers from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). You can also stay up to date by bookmarking our [Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#), which contains the current [Travel Warnings and Travel Alerts](#) as well as the [Worldwide Caution](#) as well as [Country Specific Information for Spain](#). Follow us on [Twitter](#) and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on [Facebook](#) as well.

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